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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Resource Management
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Program Decision Papers

1. Having spent most of the weekend reviewing your program decision issue papers, I want to let you and your entire staff know how excellent I found these papers and how valuable I found this step in the budget decision process. The degree of tough, but fair, analysis that these papers represent is just what I was looking for and just what is needed to help us and the program managers focus on the right issues. I am particularly impressed that in this difficult area of intelligence you were able to bring so much attention to bear on the output of our programs rather than just on the details of the programs themselves.

2. I'm excited at the progress we have made. I look forward to continuing to work together to make our budget decision process even better in the future.



STANSFIELD TURNER



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Dear Jim,

On the plane back from Owensboro we discussed whether I could be of any help to you in explaining to your students the essentials of overhead reconnaissance systems. I've levied this on our Director of Science & Technology, Mr. Leslie C. Dirks. He feels that we could easily provide a good lecture on this for you at any time. By coincidence, he is coming up to the DSB Study Group during the first week of August. I've asked him to visit with you and see if what he and I have in mind is responsive to your needs.

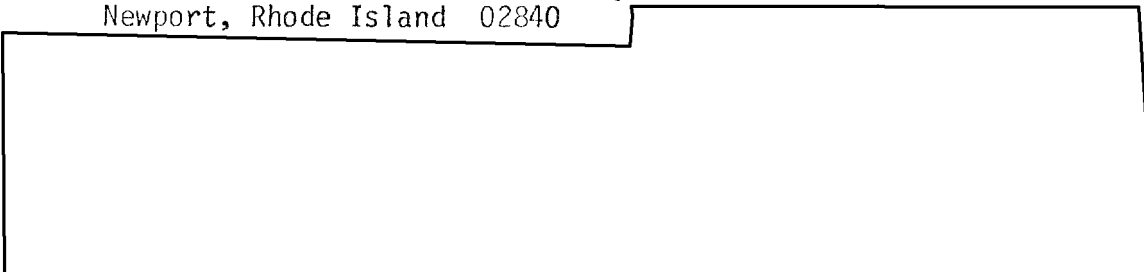
Pat and I are grateful, but embarrassed, to receive the lovely English place mats which you and Syb were so kind as to send. When we use them we'll think of you. All the best from us both.

Yours,

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